

REMARKS

Claims 1-43 are pending. Claims 12, 16, 25 and 28 have been amended to correct typographical errors.

The Examiner is thanked for allowing claims 1-24, 26-27 and 37-43, and for indicating that claim 25 was directed to allowable subject matter.

The Examiner objected to a typographical error in claim 25. Applicants have made the correction suggested by the Examiner. In addition, Applicants have corrected other typographical errors in claims 12, 16, 25 and 28.

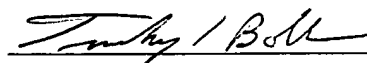
The Examiner provisionally rejected claims 28-36 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting based on claims 28-36 of co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 10/670,993. Applicants are concurrently filing a terminal disclaimer signed by an attorney of record. Accordingly, claims 28-36 are in a condition for allowance.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

All of the claims remaining in the application are now clearly allowable. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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